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## **City Of Beverly Hills Prepares For Disaster**

*Great California Shakeout Drill Is in its Sixth Year*

Beverly Hills, CA – The City of Beverly Hills is ready to Drop, Cover and Hold as it prepares for the annual “Shakeout” earthquake drill on Oct. 17 at 10:17 a.m.

Beverly Hills will join the state of California, the county and city of Los Angeles, and the Beverly Hills Unified School District in participating in the Great California Shakeout drill. Next Thursday Oct. 17, at 10:17 a.m., all participants including City staff will stop what they are doing and react as if an earthquake has occurred: DROP to the ground, take COVER under something sturdy, and HOLD on.

Customers visiting City buildings during the drill will be directed to take the same action. The drill will last approximately two minutes and customer service to the public will be disrupted for a short amount of time.

The City urges all residents and businesses to become better prepared for major earthquakes by participating in the drill. California is considered a high earthquake risk area. If we practice now, when an earthquake actually occurs, we will take the correct action.

Information on how to prepare and how to join the City and millions of others in the Great California Shakeout can be found at [www.shakeout.org](http://www.shakeout.org).



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